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Honorable Sidney P. Osborn Governor of Arizona State House Fhoenix, Arizona

My dear Sid:

I want to thank you for your letter of July 26, with regard to the continued active utilization of Fort Huachuca Military Reservation by the Army. Please let me say that the Arizona Congressional Delegation has been constantly striving for this objective ever since the last Division of trainees was moved out of Fort Huachuca. We are all continuing our

Last Thursday morning, September 19, I had a long conversation with General Dwight D. Eisenhower, who is preparing to leave for Europe immediately for the purpose of reviewing military requirements there. I handed General Eisenhower a memorandum outlining all of the reasons why the War Department should reactivate Fort Huachuca. He promised to give this statement his very careful and sympathetic consideration but, could, of course, make no commitment of any kind as to just what will eventually be done.

Since Army activities in Arizona are now under the jurisdiction of the Sixth Army Headquarters, we had hoped to be able to persuade General Joseph Stilwell, Commanding General, Sixth Army, The Presidio, San Francisco, California, to make a visit to Arizona some time this fall for the purpose of inspecting Fort Huachuca Military Reservation. However, as is indicated by the attached copy of a telegraphic reply I received from General Stilwell, his agenda is so crowded for the present that such a trip is out of the question.

When I talked to General Eisenhower, I also called his attention to your recommendations with regard to retaining the historical name for this military post and read to him the pertinent sections of the law enacted by the Seventeenth Arizona State Legislature with regard to changing historical place names.

Please let me emphasize once again that we will continue to do everything we can to keep Fort Huachuca going.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Cad Hayden